

Human Services Council Meeting
February 26, 2018, 7:30 PM
MEETING MINUTES

Member Name		Member Name	
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Steven Bloom, Chair	<i>Present</i>	Dr. Ito Ibia	<i>Present</i>
Kimberly Adams	<i>Present</i>	William Kogler	<i>Present</i>
Col. Marion (Barney) Barnwell	<i>Excused</i>	Martin Machowsky	<i>Excused</i>
Kevin H. Bell	<i>Present</i>	Michele Menapace	<i>Present</i>
Barbara Burgess	<i>Excused</i>	Dr. Fatima Mirza	<i>Present</i>
Jeff Dannick	<i>Excused</i>	Audrey Morton	<i>Present</i>
Emily Donaldson	<i>Present</i>	Dr. Gerald Poje	<i>Present</i>
Robert Faherty	<i>Present</i>	Alis Wang	<i>Excused</i>
Rev. Dr. Jerrold Foltz	<i>Present</i>	Dr. Patrice Winter	<i>Present</i>
Thomas Goodwin	<i>Present</i>		
Staff:			
Tisha Deeghan, Deputy County Executive			<i>Present</i>
Michelle Gregory, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS)			<i>Present</i>
Lee Ann Pender, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Excused</i>
Suzanne Lane, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Present</i>
Terry Reardon, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS)			<i>Excused</i>

Guests and County Staff: Linda Hoffman, Rosalyn Foroobar, Carita Parks

7:35 p.m. – Welcome and Overview – Chairman Steven Bloom welcomed Council members and guests and opened the meeting.

The Human Services Council (HSC) participated in a general discussion about the FY 2019 Advertised Budget and the presentation from County Executive Bryan Hill and Chief Financial Officer Joe Mondoro on February 21st. Overall, the HSC notes that the Advertised Budget aligns with items on the Health and Human Services Resource Plan and supports of many initiatives related to Health and Human Services.

Medicaid expansion was also discussed at length, with hopes that it will leave Fairfax County with a larger pool of dollars to cover the cost of other items on the Resource Plan. The Council also recognized that the summation of the potential legislative changes related to Medicaid expansion would not result in any significant revenue stream for Fairfax County.

To support the proposed 2.5 cent increase in the real estate tax rate in the FY 2019 Advertised Budget, the HSC decided to draft a letter to the Board of Supervisors. The goal of the letter is to demonstrate community support and discourage the BOS from approving a tax rate lower than the 2.5 cent increase. Revenue from the tax increase will help fund critical programs and initiatives outlined in the advertised budget.

The HSC acknowledged the two upcoming HSC Community Dialogue meetings on Tuesday, March 6, and Thursday, March 8, and asked for the schedule of budget-related meetings by Supervisor District to provide opportunities for Council members to attend other budget related meetings.

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The HSC held a community meeting on February 3 to introduce the Health and Human Services Resource Plan to the broader community. Deputy County Executive Tisha Deeghan provided introductory remarks and background information to review the purpose and benefits of the Resource Plan, Joe Mondoro presented the Resource Plan, and participants provided feedback in small group discussion.

Feedback from attendees was favorable. Most community members who participated in the satisfaction survey thought the meeting was informative and believe the HHS Resource Plan will inform the work of the organization or group with which they are affiliated. Michelle Gregory updated the Council on changes that were made to strengthen the introduction to the Resource Plan. The changes were based on feedback from the February 3rd HSC community meeting.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Next Full Membership meeting:	Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. Government Center in Conference Rooms 4/5.
Next Executive Committee meeting:	Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. Providence Community Center in Classroom 1.